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[Representative] OR [Senator] [MEMBER'S FIRST & LAST NAME]

Kentucky Legislature

Frankfort, KY 40601

VIA FACSIMILE: XXX-XXX-XXXX

or

VIA EMAIL:

Dear Representative [MEMBER'S LAST NAME]:

As a constituent of your District, citizen of the Commonwealth of Kentucky along with a being a spokesperson for [ORGANIZATION], I ask you to support Kentucky's Public Safety First program in full to continue serving victims of crime in the Commonwealth.

Public Safety First includes key victim programs such as:

VINE Court Notification – This statewide program keeps victims informed via telephone and email about when they need to be in court to participate in the case against their offender.

VINE Protective Order – This statewide program is used to rapidly alert victims of domestic violence when their protective order is served against their offender. This is one of the most at risk moments for all domestic violence victims.

- VINE Protective Order, and VINE Court Notification are programs that have been in Kentucky for a number of years.
- There are currently more than 47,000 Kentucky victims registered and using VINE notification services.
- In 2009 the VINE programs made nearly 600,000 telephone notifications and more than 53,000 email notification to victims. These alerts provided them with critical information about their offender, their court case, or the status of their domestic violence protective order.
- Often the information provided by these services is helping victims create safety plans, and gain control back over their lives.

Thank you for your continued support of the Kentucky Public Safety First Program by helping victims throughout the Commonwealth empower and protect themselves through the information these services provide.

Sincerely,

[YOUR SIGNATURE]

[YOUR NAME]

[TITLE]

[AGENCY/COMPANY]

[CITY/STATE]